GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:354
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2001
RE EMPLOYMENT EXTENSION TO IAS OFFICERS
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a decision has been taken to re-employ several IAS officers on certain posts in the Union Government after their retirement during the financial years 1998-99 and 1999-2000;

(b) if so, the details of persons re-employed during the said years indicating the dates of retirement as well as re-employment; and

(c) the general approach of the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS PENSIONERS WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. VASUNDHRA RAJE)

(a) to (c): A Statement is placed on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY TO PARTS (a), (b) AND (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.354 FOR ANSWER ON 21.3.2001

The age of retirement of IAS officers was enhanced from 58 years to 60 years w.e.f. 13.5.98. Consequent to this enhancement, no IAS officer retired on superannuation after 13.5.98 during the financial year 1998-99 and during 1999-2000 and, therefore, the question of their re-employment did not arise. With regard to IAS officers who retired between 1.4.98 and 13.5.98 i.e.prior to the enhancement in the age of retirement, none was re-employed under the Central Government.

Prior to the enhancement in the age of retirement from 58 years to 60 years, IAS officers, like other Central Government employees, were eligible to get extension in service till the age of 60 years. After enhancement of the age of retirement to 60 years, the All India Services(Death-cum-Retirement Benefits) Rules, which govern IAS officers have been appropriately amended. Under the amended rules, IAS officers who attain the age of 60 years may be given extension of service for a period not exceeding three months with the prior approval of the Central Government if the officer is dealing with budget work or is working as a full time Member of a Committee which is to be wound up within a short period. No further extension/re-employment in service is possible. However, this does not apply to the appointment of retired officers on contractual basis or to appointment of retired officers in statutory and judicial/quasi-judicial bodies and autonomous bodies fully or partially funded by the Government, if the Statute/Rules pertaining to such bodies permit such appointments beyond 60 years.